TRANSPORTATION OF THE PATIENT

SFC GLOVER

TERMINAL LEARNING OBJECTIVE (TLO)

- CONDITION: GIVEN CONDITIONS FOR PATIENT TRANSPORT
- ACTION: PROCESS THE PATIENT FOR MOVEMENT TO AND FROM THE OPERATING ROOM
- STANDARD: IAW CITED REFERENCES

CONSIDERATIONS FOR TRANSFER OF PATIENTS

- IDENTIFY THOSE APPLICABLE TO PATIENT TRANSFER

CONSIDERATIONS Con't

- CONSIDERATION OF THE PATIENT'S NEEDS IS THE NUMBER ONE CONCERN.
- SPECIFIC QUESTIONS MUST BE REFERRED TO THE SURGEON
- WORDS WITH UNPLEASANT ASSOCIATIONS SHOULD BE AVOIDED

CONSIDERATIONS Con't

- PATIENTS MAY BECOME DEPENDENT ON THOSE WHO CARE FOR THEM
- PATIENTS MAY VERBALIZE ANTICIPATORY FEARS SUCH AS DEATH, PAIN, ANESTHESIA, MUTILATION AND/OR CANCER

CONSIDERATIONS Con't

- CHILDREN'S FEARS AND ANXIETIES ARE MUCH DEEPER THAN ADULTS
- AVOID ALL CASUAL CONVERSATIONS IN THE HALLWAYS OR THE OPERATING ROOM

CONSIDERATIONS Con’t

- COMFORT THE PATIENT

QUESTION?

- IS IT IMPORTANT TO BE AWARE OF THE PATIENT'S EMOTIONAL STATE? WHY?
- YES, SO THAT QUESTIONS CAN BE ANSWERED WITHOUT CAUSING FURTHER ANXIETY.

PREPARATORY PROCEDURES DONE PRIOR TO LEAVING THE O.R. TO PICKUP A PATIENT

- SELECT THOSE APPLICABLE PRIOR TO PATIENT PICKUP
- STANDARD: IAW FAIRCHILD

PREPARATORY PROCEDURES Con't

- CHECK O.R. SCHEDULE AND GET PATIENT PICKUP SLIP
  - PATIENTS NAME
  - REGISTRATION NUMBER
  - WARD
  - AGE

PREPARATORY PROCEDURES Con't

- OPERATIVE PROCEDURE
- O.R. ROOM NUMBER

- ANNOTATE O.R. SCHEDULE
- LITTER PREPARATION
  - CHECK TO MAKE SURE THAT THE LITTER IS FUNCTIONAL

PREPARATORY PROCEDURES Con't

- ENSURE LITTER IS CLEAN
- DRESS LITTER
- OPERATING ROOM CAP PRESENT
- SPECIAL EQUIPMENT NEEDS

PATIENT IDENTIFICATION PROCEDURES

- SELECT THOSE APPLICABLE FOR PATIENT TRANSFER FROM THE WARD TO THE OR
- STANDARD: IAW FAIRCHILD AND SURGICAL TECHNOLOGY

PATIENT IDENTIFICATION PROCEDURES

- REPORT TO NURSING STATION
- OBTAIN PATIENT'S CHART
- REVIEW PATIENT'S CHART
  - HISTORY AND PHYSICAL
  - OPERATIVE CONSENT FORM
  - LAB REPORTS

PATIENT IDENTIFICATION PROCEDURES

- X-RAY FILMS
- OTHER FORMS REQUIRED BY LOCAL SOP

- CHECK PREOPERATIVE CHECKLIST
- GREET THE PATIENT

PATIENT IDENTIFICATION PROCEDURES

- IDENTIFY THE PATIENT
- PREP THE PATIENT FOR TRANSFER TO LITTER
  - PROPER ATTIRE
  - JEWELRY AND PROSTHETIC DEVICES REMOVED
  - COSMETICS

PATIENT IDENTIFICATION PROCEDURES

- TRANSFER PATIENT FROM BED TO LITTER
- POSITION AND SECURE PATIENT
- TRANSFER TO O.R. BED AND/OR RECOVERY BED

QUESTION?

- WHAT DETERMINES THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE NEEDED TO ASSIST A PATIENT TO THE LITTER?
- THE PATIENT'S CONDITION WILL DETERMINE THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE NECESSARY TO ASSIST.

QUESTION?

- WHERE SHOULD THE RESTRAINT STRAP BE PLACED WHEN THE PATIENT IS ON THE LITTER?
- TWO INCHES ABOVE THE KNEE.

SAFE PRE-OPERATIVE PATIENT TRANSPORT PROCEDURES

- CONDITION: GIVEN THE APPROPRIATE INFORMATION
- ACTION: SELECT SAFE PRE-OPERATION TRANSPORT PROCEDURES
- STANDARD: IAW SURGICAL TECHNOLOGY

SAFE PRE-OPERATIVE PATIENT TRANSPORT PROCEDURES

- PUSH FEET FIRST EXCEPT WHEN ENTERING AN ELEVATOR
- INCLINES AND DECLINES
  - PLACE YOURSELF ON THE LOWER SIDE OF THE SLOPE

SAFE PRE-OPERATIVE PATIENT TRANSPORT PROCEDURES

- SWINGING DOUBLE DOORS
  - PULL LITTER THROUGH
- AVOID ABRUPT MOVEMENTS
- AVOID BUMPING INTO WALLS OR FURNITURE
- TELL PATIENT ABOUT BUMPS OR ROUGH AREAS

SAFE PRE-OPERATIVE PATIENT TRANSPORT PROCEDURES

- CHILDREN UNDER AGE 5 WILL BE TRANSPORTED IN A CRIB
- NOTIFY FLOOR NURSE UPON ARRIVAL AT O.R.

QUESTION?

- WHAT POSITION SHOULD THE PATIENT BE IN FOR TRANSPORTING TO THE OPERATING ROOM?
- SUPINE, UNLESS THE PATIENT'S CONDITION DICTATES OTHERWISE.

ALTERNATIVE METHODS OF TRANSPORTATION

- CONDITION: GIVEN A LIST OF TRANSPORTATION METHODS AND THEIR USES
- ACTION: MATCH EACH METHOD TO ITS USE
- STANDARD: IAW CORE CURRICULUM FOR SURGICAL TECHNOLOGY

ALTERNATIVE METHODS OF TRANSPORTATION

- WARD BED/ORTHO BED
- CRIBS
- ISOLETTES OR PORTABLE INCUBATORS
- HAND CARRIED LITTERS

POSTOPERATIVE TRANSPORTATION PROCEDURES

- SELECT SAFEST POST-OPERATION PATIENT TRANSPORT PROCEDURES
- STANDARD: IAW FAIRCHILD

POSTOPERATIVE TRANSPORTATION PROCEDURES

- USUAL METHOD IS VIA RECOVERY ROOM BED
- PATIENT MAY BE TOTALLY IMMOBILE AND UNABLE TO COOPERATE
- AT LEAST FOUR PEOPLE FOR THE TRANSFER

POSTOPERATIVE TRANSPORTATION PROCEDURES

- ROLLERS OR OTHER DEVICES MAY BE USED
- PATIENT IS TRANSPORTED TO RECOVERY ROOM BY ANESTHETIST AND THE SURGEON

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QUESTIONS?

VIDEO DEMONSTRATION